

# Indoor Herb Gardening

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# Why do you want to grow herbs?

- Cooking
- Medicinal purposes
- Decorative
- Other?



# Herbs for Indoor Gardening

- Thyme
- Oregano
- Chives
- Parsley
- Basil
- Rosemary
- Catnip (for all you cat lovers!)

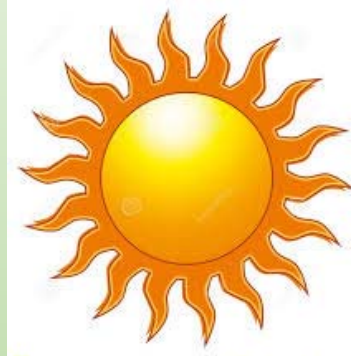
# Getting Started: Seeds or Seedlings?

- Cost
- Cultural issues
- Length of time to harvest



# Cultural Requirements for Herbs

- Pot sizes
- Soil and drainage
- Sun
- Water
- Temperature
- Humidity / Air Circulation
- Fertilizer
- Repotting



# Herb Pests

- Aphids
- Spider Mites
- Mealy Bugs
- Scale
- White Flies
- Fungus Gnats



# Pest Management Strategies

- Select healthy plants
- Give herbs what they need to thrive
- Inspect regularly
- Physically remove pests
- Prune affected parts of plant
- Use horticultural oil or insecticidal soap
- Discard plant (in extreme cases)

# Harvesting and Using Herbs

- When?
- How much?
- Cooking with Herbs
  - Pesto
  - Green beans with thyme
  - Seasoning
  - Topping for breads
  - How do you use herbs?



Questions?

